

## NOTICE BUFFER ZONE RESTRICTION

### NCGS § 163-166.4 Limitation on activity in the voting place and in a buffer zone around it

**Buffer Zone and Adjacent Area for Election-Related Activity.** - No person or group of persons shall hinder access, harass others, distribute campaign literature, place political advertising, solicit votes, or otherwise engage in election-related activity in the voting place or in a buffer zone which shall be prescribed by the county board of elections around the voting place. In determining the dimensions of that buffer zone for each voting place, the county board of elections shall, where practical, set the limit at 50 feet from the door of entrance to the voting place, measured when that door is closed, but in no event shall it set the limit at more than 50 feet or at less than 25 feet. Except as provided in subsection (b), the county board of elections shall also provide an area adjacent to the buffer zone for each voting place in which persons or groups of persons may distribute campaign literature, place political advertising, solicit votes, or otherwise engage in election-related activity.

(c) **Notice About Buffer Zone.** - No later than 30 days before each election, the county board of elections shall make available to the public the following information concerning each voting place:

- (1) The door from which the buffer zone is measured.
- (2) The distance the buffer zone extends from that door.
- (3) Any available information concerning where political activity, including sign placement, is permitted beyond the buffer zone.

#### Election Day Voting Places and Buffer Zone

**\*\*Buffer zone will be 50 feet from entrance door of each location\*\***

PRECINCT	LOCATION	BUFFER ZONE
Bethlehem 1	Bethlehem Elementary School Gym	50' from front entrance to Gym
Bethlehem 2	Bethlehem Community Fire/Rescue	50' from back entrance
Ellendale	St. Lukes Lutheran Church	50' from front entrance
Gwaltney 1 & Gwaltney 2	Gwaltney Community Building	50' from front entrance
Little River and Sugar Loaf	Little River Community Building	50' from rear entrance
Millers	Drumstand Community Building	50' from front entrance
Sharpes 1 and Sharpes 2	Stony Point Volunteer Fire Department	50' from front entrance
Taylorsville 1, Taylorsville 4, Taylorsville 5	Alexander Senior Center	50' from front entrance
Taylorsville 2 & Taylorsville 3	Alexander County YMCA	50' from side entrance
Wittenburg	Friendship Lutheran Church	50' from front entrance

(c) **Buffer Zone at One-Stop Sites.** – The provisions of this section shall apply to one-stop voting sites in G.S. 163-227.2, except that the notice in subsection (c) of this section shall be provided no later than 10 days before the opening of one-stop voting at the site.

#### One-Stop Sites and Buffer Zone

ONE-STOP LOCATION	BUFFER ZONE
Board of Elections Office	50' from front entrance
Bethlehem Community Fire/Rescue	50' from rear entrance
Stony Point Volunteer Fire Dept.	50' from front entrance